

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

Claims 1-13 (cancelled)

Claim 14 (currently amended): Handle (11) for a handheld engine powered tool comprising at least a pivotable throttle lever (12) and a pivotable safety button (13) which are pivotable elements for controlling the power of the tool, the handle (11) being made of a first handle section (15) and a second handle section (16), ~~each of the pivotable elements being directly pivotally coupled to only the second handle section (16), and indirectly coupled to the first handle section (15), so that the functions of the pivotable elements are separate from the alignment of the first handle section (15) relative to the second handle section (16);~~

characterized in that the first and second handle sections (15, 16) are permanently joined together so as to form a leak-inhibiting joint therebetween such that a portion of the handle forms a fuel tank (14), and

further characterized in that each of the pivotable elements is directly pivotally connected to the second handle section (16) by a pivotable connection ~~selected from the group consisting of:~~, which pivotable connection is

~~a supporting section (20) extending from the second handle section (16) that is provided with a pocket (21) where the pivotable element is placed and secured by a locking pin (23) acting as the axle for the pivotable element;~~

~~a pin (25) extending from the second handle section (16) that is snapped into a circular section of a keyhole-shaped opening (26) in the pivotable element wherein the pin extends in a transverse direction from the second handle section (16) in relation to the longitudinal axle so that the pivotable element turns around the pin (25); and~~

~~a separate metallic or plastic pin (31) pressed or pushed into a prepared opening (32) in the second handle section (16) so that the pivotable element rotates about or with the separate metallic or plastic pin (31), and the pin (31) is not in contact radially with the first handle section (15) when the pin (31) is exposed to no load.~~

Claim 15 (cancelled)

Claim 16 (withdrawn): Handle according to claim 14, characterized in that the safety button (13) is provided with an arm (17) that is moveable when the button (13) is pressed, the arm (17) inhibiting movement of the lever (12) when the button (13) is not pressed.

Claim 17 (withdrawn): Handle according to claim 14, characterized in that the other handle section (15) is provided with a protruding circular-shaped edge (34) surrounding a part or the entire pin (25) so that when the handle sections are joined together one end of the pin (25) is placed inside the protruding circular-shaped edge (34) so that the protruding circular-shaped edge (34) supports the pin (25) when the pin (25) is subjected to high loads.

Claim 18 (withdrawn): Handle according to claim 31, characterized in that the other handle section (15) is provided with a supporting edge (36) surrounding a part or the entire separate metallic or plastic pin (31) so that when the handle sections are joined together, one end of the separate metallic or plastic pin (31) is placed inside the supporting edge (36) so that the supporting edge (36) supports the separate metallic or plastic pin (31) when the pin (31) is subjected to high loads.

Claim 19-21 (cancelled)

Claim 22 (currently amended): Handle according to claim 14, characterized in that the second handle section (16) is provided with openings (22) and the first handle section (15) is provided with a hole (35) surrounding a part ~~or~~ of the entire ~~locking~~ pin (23) so that when the handle sections (15, 16) are joined together, one end of the ~~locking~~ pin (23) can be inserted into the openings (22) by way of the hole (35).

Claim 23 (previously presented): Handle according to claim 22, wherein the diameter of the hole (35) is larger than the diameter of the locking pin (23).

Claim 24 (cancelled)

Claim 25 (withdrawn): Handle according to claim 17, wherein the diameter of the circular-shaped edge (34) is larger than the diameter of the pin (25).

Claim 26 (cancelled)

Claim 27 (withdrawn): Handle according to claim 18, wherein the diameter of the supporting edge (36) is larger than the diameter of the pin (31).

Claim 28 (previously presented): Handle according to claim 14, characterized in that the safety button (13) stops the operator from increasing the throttle of the engine if the operator is not holding his hand around the handle (11) and the safety button (13) pressed.

Claim 29 (previously presented): Handle according to claim 28, characterized in that the safety button (13) is provided with an arm (17) that is moveable when the button (13) is pressed, the arm (17) inhibiting movement of the lever (12) when the button (13) is not pressed.

Claim 30 (previously presented): Handle according to claim 14, characterized in that the first and second handle sections (15, 16) are made of a plastic or metallic material and are permanently joined together either by welding or gluing.

Claim 31 (withdrawn): Handle according to claim 14, characterized in that a pivotable line wheel is a further pivotable element.

Claim 32 (currently amended): Handle (11) forming part of a hand held engine powered tool and comprising at least a lever or button for controlling the power of the tool, said handle (11) is made of at least two handle sections (15, 16), which handle sections (15, 16) are to a substantial part made of a plastic material and are permanently joined by welding or gluing, characterized in that the lever or button is secured in only one of the handle sections (16) ~~so that the function of the lever or button is independent of the handle sections (15, 16) position in relation to each other.~~

Claim 33 (currently amended): Handle according to claim 32 or 41, characterized in that the handle comprises two handle sections (15, 16) and that the handle (11) is provided with a lever (12) and a button (13).

Claim 34 (currently amended): Handle according to claim 32 or 41, characterized in that the handle (11) is provided with a lever (12) for controlling the power of the engine and a safety button (13) that stops the operator from increasing the power of the engine if the operator is not holding his hand around the handle (11) and the safety button (13) pressed.

Claim 35 (currently amended): Handle according to claim 32 or 41, characterized in that the lever or levers and/or button or buttons and related components are secured in the handle section (16) via a supporting section (20) extending from the handle section (16).

Claim 36 (previously presented): Handle according to claim 35, characterized in that the supporting section (20) is provided with a pocket (21) where the lever or button is placed and secured by a locking pin (23) acting as the axle for the lever or button, said locking pin (23) extends through two openings (22) in the supporting section (20) and a hole (24) in the lever or button.

Claim 37 (withdrawn): Handle according to claim 32, characterized in that the lever or levers and/or button or buttons and related components are secured in the handle section (16) by a keyhole-shaped opening (26) in the lever, button or component is snapped on a pin (25) extending in transverse direction from the handle section (16) in relation to the longitudinal axle so that the lever, button or component turns around the pin (25).

Claim 38 (withdrawn): Handle according to claim 37, characterized in that the other handle section (15) is provided with a protruding circle-shaped edge (34) surrounding a part or the entire pin (25) so that when the handle sections are joined will the end of the pin (25) be placed so that the protruding circle-shaped edge (34) supports the pin (25) when exposed to high loads.

Claim 39 (withdrawn): Handle according to claim 32, characterized in that the lever or levers and/or button or buttons and related components are secured in the handle section (16) by a separate metallic or plastic pin (31) pressed into a prepared opening in the handle section (16) so that said lever or levers and/or button or buttons and related components are turning around the separate metallic or plastic pin (31).

Claim 40 (withdrawn): Handle according to claim 39, characterized in that the other handle section (15) is provided with a protruding circle-shaped edge (34) surrounding a part or the entire

separate metallic or plastic pin (25) so that when the handle sections are joined will the end of the separate metallic or plastic pin (25) be placed so that the protruding circle-shaped edge (34) supports the separate metallic or plastic pin (25) when exposed to high loads.

Claim 41 (New): Handle according to claim 32, characterized in that the operation of at least the lever (12) or the button (13) is tolerant towards deviating relative positions of the handle sections (15, 16).